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BE FIXED IN THE MEDULARY CANAL OF

THE FEMUR (as amended)

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Sir:

In response to the final Action mailed March 18, 2008, and prior to action on the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following claim amendments and remarks.

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